

## Alaska Workforce Investment Board Youth Council Report October 25, 2011

The Youth Council has met one time since the May 2011 AWIB meeting. The meeting date was August 4<sup>th</sup>.

## Reorganization of YC - Definition/Duties/Membership

In the efforts to refocus and prioritize, the Youth Council (YC) produced a one page document that was approved by the Executive Committee that reestablishes:

Membership - Enforcement of 2 year terms with 2 terms served.

- Reduces the number of members in accordance to the WIA

regulations.

Duties - Reduces the board range of duties to the identified duties in accordance

with WIA regulations.

Mission/Purpose- Provide clarity.

The expectation is to approach a smaller quantity of duties (2 to 3 per year) with a more narrowly defined focus to obtain more realistic goals and outcomes.

Three current members are termed out as of December 2011. Thank you letters have sent to these individuals for their hard work and service.

There are currently two vacancies on the YC, a parent of an eligible youth seeking assistance under the Act and a representative of local public housing authorities. Nine Star, Alaska Housing Finance Corporation, and the University of Alaska have identified members of the community that have interest in serving on the YC. Once approved by the Chair, they will start as soon as November 2, 2011.

## **WIA Youth RGA Process**

Kyle Taylor reported that in May the Division of Business Partnership (BP) started the Request for Grant Application (RGA) process within the new online grant management system (E-grams). In the review committee, the YC reviewed past programmatic and fiscal performance and current monitoring results for this program year. The review committee needed to make sure there was state representation, leveraged funds were encouraged, and no duplication of services, and the program was sustainable. There were 18 applications reviewed. Final Summary showed that \$1.758 was allocated. YC review committee recommended 10 grantees; 10 were approved by the Commissioner.